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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF : :

Sachiko TAJIMA, et al. : GROUP ART UNIT: 1616

SERIAL NO.: 09/956,888 : EXAMINER: Sharmila GOLLAMUDI

FILED: September 21, 2001 : :

FOR: HAIR COSMETIC COMPOSITIONS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

In advance of prosecution, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend Claim 1 as follows:

--1. (Amended) A hair cosmetic formulation, comprising:

(A) a fragrance ingredient comprising cis-3-hexenol; and

(B) monoethanolamine, in an oxidation hair coloring or hair bleaching formulation.--

Please cancel Claims 7-12.

Please add the following new claims.

--17. (New) A hair cosmetic formulation, comprising:

(A) a fragrance ingredient comprising cis-3-hexenol; and

(B) monoethanolamine, the amount of cis-3-hexenol in the composition which is an

oxidation hair coloring or hair bleaching formulation, being such that it masks the odor of